

REMARKS

The claims are 1-15, with claims 1 and 9 being independent. Claim 10 has been amended to reduce its multiple dependency. No new matter has been added.

Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration and early passage to issue of the present case.

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Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

Application No.: N.Y.A - Based on Japanese
Priority Application No. JP 2000-251274
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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 10 has been amended as follows:

10. (Amended) An optical element manufactured by the method as set forth in claim 1 or 9 [any one of claims 1 to 9].

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